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JOINT STATE/DEFENSE MESSAGE

SUBJECT: CAMBODIAN SITREP

1. NOFORN. INSURGENCY PLAN FOR CAMBODIA. EMBASSY IS REPEATING PORTION OF MACV 231315Z BECAUSE OF GENERAL INTEREST. INFORMATION IS FROM DOCUMENT CAPTURED DURING US/ARVN OPERATIONS IN CAMBODIA.

"GUIDE, UNDATED, PROVIDES A PLAN FOR THE ORGANIZATION OF THE FRONT FOR NATIONAL REUNIFICATION OF CAMBODIA AT HAMLET AND VILLAGE LEVELS. DOCUMENT STATES THAT THE MISSION OF THE RELATED FRONT COMMITTEE IS TO BUILD A NEW GOVERNMENT TO REPLACE THE PRESENT (LON NOL'S) ADMINISTRATION. THE FRONT WILL LEAD THE (CAMBODIAN) LABOR CLASS AND THOSE COMPATRIOTS WHO WISH TO PROVIDE SUPPORT TO PRINCE SIHANOUK, TO ACCOMPLISH THE THREE MAJOR TASKS OUTLINED BY PRINCE SIHANOUK: (1) TO DESTROY THE LON NOL ADMINISTRATION; (2) MAINTAIN A GOOD FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN VIETNAMESE AND CAMBODIANS; AND (3) TO RESIST AMERICANS. THE SPECIFIC MISSIONS OF THE FRONT COMMITTEE ARE TO: (1) REUNIFY THE (CAMBODIAN) PEOPLE INTO A SINGLE BLOC IN ORDER TO ACHIEVE THE THREE TASKS OUTLINED BY PRINCE SIHANOUK AND ESTABLISH A NEW COUNTRY (RED CAMBODIA); (2) FORM THE (CAMBODIAN) PEOPLE INTO LIBERATION ORGANIZATIONS SUCH AS YOUTH, WOMEN'S, TEENAGERS, AND OLD PEOPLE'S LIBERATION ORGANIZATIONS, AND BUILD UP LOCAL ARMED FORCES, AND THE KHMER LIBERATION ARMY; (3) LEAD THESE LIBERATION ORGANIZATIONS TO COUNTER US SWEEP OPERATIONS AND ELIMINATE SPIES AND OTHER LACKEYS WHO ATTEMPT TO SABOTAGE SECURITY IN (HAMLETS) AND VILLAGES; (4) ENCOURAGE PRODUCTION, DEVELOP A PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE, RAISE THE PEOPLE'S CULTURAL LEVEL AND IMPROVE THE PEOPLE'S LIVING CONDITIONS; AND (5) EDUCATE THE (CAMBODIAN) PEOPLE TO LOVE THE KHMER FATHERLAND, AND INSTIGATE HATRED AND AND RESENTMENT TOWARD THE US IMPERIALISTS AND THE LON NOL CLIQUE. IN GENERAL TERMS, THE FRONT COMMITTEE SHOULD RESOLUTELY AND CORRECTLY IMPLEMENT THE APPEAL OF PRINCE SIHANOUK (BROADCAST) ON 23 MAR 70. DOCUMENT FURTHER PROVIDES INSTRUCTIONS ON THE PERSONNEL OF HAMLET AND VILLAGE FRONT COMMITTEES AND MISSIONS ASSIGNED TO EACH COMMITTEE MEMBER. NORMALLY, EACH VILLAGE FRONT COMMITTEE SHOULD CONSIST OF FROM FIVE TO SEVEN COMMITTEE MEMBERS, AND EACH HAMLET FRONT COMMITTEE FROM THREE TO FIVE MEMBERS."

2. ANALYST OF DOCUMENT COMMENTS THAT NVN BEGINNING INSURGENCY

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MOVEMENT IN CAMBODIA UTILIZING SAME METHODS AS IN SVN. IN EMBASSY'S

1. N. INTERNAL EVIDENCE IS CLEAR THAT DOCUMENT PREPARED.

EARLY MAY AFTER US/ARVN ACTIONS BEGUN (REFERENCE TO NEED TO COUNTER US SWEEP OPERATIONS). FURTHER THIS WOULD SEEM TO INDICATE THAT NVN HAD NO INFRASTRUCTURE HERE AND BEING FORCED TO BEGIN FROM SCRATCH. IT IS ALSO CLEAR THAT NVN WILL BE RUNNING ORGANIZATION AND THAT SIHANOUK'S FUNK AT PRESENT IS NONEXISTENT, DESPITE PROPAGANDA CLAIMS. END NOFORN.

3. FRENCH VIEW OF US AID. UPON SEEING LOCAL PRESS REPORT OF US INTENTION TO PROVIDE \$7.9 MILLION IN MILITARY ASSISTANCE IN FY 70, MEMBER OF FRENCH MILITARY MISSION ASKED IF IT WERE POSSIBLE TO OBTAIN CERTAIN SPARE PARTS FOR US EQUIPMENT. EMBASSY EXPLAINED THAT REQUESTS WOULD HAVE TO ORIGINATE WITH CAMBODIANS WHO WOULD ASSIGN PRIORITIES. FRENCH ADVISER SAW NO DIFFICULTY IN WORKING UP LIST OF REQUIRED ITEMS FOR PRESENTATION TO CAMBODIAN COUNTERPART WHOM HE WAS SURE WOULD APPROVE. COMMENT: WHILE FRENCH MILITARY MISSION PERSONNEL ASSIGNED IN INSTRUCTOR CAPACITY FIND THEMSELVES WITHOUT STUDENTS, OTHERS IN TECHNICAL FIELDS APPARENTLY CONTINUING TO WORK AND IN THIS CASE PROVIDING SORT OF EFFORT WHICH EMBASSY WOULD HOPE COULD CONTINUE TO BE OFFERED.

4. MILITARY. RATTANAKIRI PROVINCE - ENEMY PRESSURE ON FANK FORCES AT LABANSIEK, BA KEV AND LOMPHAT HAS BEEN CONSIDERABLY REDUCED FOLLOWING AIR ATTACK ON VC/NVA POSITIONS IN THE AREA. LIAISON OFFICER FROM FANK HEADQUARTERS SENT TO LABANSIEK MORNING 31 MAY TO ASCERTAIN RESULTS OF AIR ATTACKS AND ACQUIRE INFORMATION AS BASIS FOR RECONSIDERATION DECISION ON WHETHER LOMPHAT TO BE EVACUATED.

5. KAMPONG CHAM PROVINCE - ARVN FORCES ARE CONDUCTING SWEEPS IN AREA SOUTH OF THE MEKONG RIVER WEST OF KAMPONG CHAM TOWN. FANK OFFICERS EXPRESS CONCERN THAT VC/NVA FORCES IN STRENGTH MAY BE MOVING WEST FROM AREA BETWEEN PREK KAK AND KAMPONG CHAM TOWARD ROUTE 6 AND THE TOWN OF SKON. SUCH ACTION WOULD RESULT IN ISOLATION OF KAMPONG CHAM AND POINTS NORTH ALONG ROUTE 6.

6. KAMPONG THOM PROVINCE - TOWN OF TANG KRASANG REMAINS IN ENEMY HANDS WITH SEVERAL HUNDRED VC/NVA REPORTED TO BE IN AREA TO EAST AND SOUTHEAST OF TOWN.
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7. PREY VENG PROVINCE - TOWN OF PREY VENG IS NOW FIRMLY IN

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FRIENDLY HANDS. HARASSING MORTAR FIRE CONTINUES AGAINST FANK AND ARVN UNITS IN THE TOWN. ARVN UNITS UTILIZING AMPHIBIOUS PERSONNEL CARRIERS ARE CONDUCTING SWEEPING OPERATIONS IN AREA SOUTHWEST OF TOWN TOWARD THE MEKONG RIVER.

8. SVAY RIENG PROVINCE - SVAY RIENG TOWN CONTINUES TO RECEIVE NIGHTLY HARRASSING MORTAR FIRE WITH FEW INJURIES REPORTED.

9. PREAH VIHEAR PROVINCE - FOR FIRST TIME FANK REPORTS PRESENCE OF SMALL NUMBERS OF VC/NVA INFILTRATORS IN AREA WEST OF CHEOM KSAN.

10. SOUTH VIETNAMESE HELICOPTERS TRANSPORTED CAMBODIAN WOUNDED AND DEAD FROM PREY VENG TOWN TO PHNOM PENH ON 30 MAY 70. EIGHT BODIES AND ABOUT 80 WOUNDED, 30 SERIOUSLY, WERE TRANSPORTED DURING THE DAY. FANK DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF DESCRIBED MILITARY HOSPITAL FACILITIES IN PHNOM PENH AS FULL AND INDICATED THAT ABOUT 75 PER CENT OF CIVIL HOSPITAL CAPACITY HAD BEEN MADE AVAILABLE TO THE MILITARY. PLANS HAVE BEEN MADE TO UTILIZE SCHOOLS AND OTHER GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS TO TAKE CARE OF OVERFLOW IF REQUIRED. MEDICAL SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT OF ALL SORTS ARE NEEDED. FANK HAS PROMISED DAO ITEMIZED LIST).

11. BEGIN UNCLASSIFIED. ARMED FORCES COMMUNIQUE INCLUDES SOME OF THE ABOVE INFORMATION AND, IN ADDITION, ANNOUNCED THAT TWELVE CASES OF MUNITIONS FOR AUTOMATIC WEAPONS DISCOVERED IN SOAI TONG VILLAGE IN KAMPOT PROVINCE. COMMUNIQUE ALSO ANNOUNCES THAT SEVERAL VILLAGERS - MEN, WOMEN AND CHILDREN - WERE ASSASSINATED IN COLD BLOOD BY VC/NVN IN CHANTREA VILLAGE IN DISTRICT OF CHANTREA IN PARROT'S BEAK AREA OF SVAY RIENG PROVINCE. VICTIMS WERE EXECUTED FOR HAVING REFUSED TO PROVIDE SUPPLIES AND INFORMATION TO ENEMY.

12. MARTIAL LAW. IN DECREE PUBLISHED MAY 30 THE DIMENSIONS OF MARTIAL LAW MADE CLEAR. UNDER ARTICLE 1 ARE LISTED CRIMES PUNISHABLE BY DEATH. THESE INCLUDE REVOLUTION OR INSURRECTION AGAINST THE GOVERNMENT, TAKING PART IN OR ATTEMPTING A COUP D'ETAT, DESERTION FROM MILITARY WHICH INCLUDES PERSONS ARMED BY GOVERNMENT, AID TO THE ENEMY, SABOTAGE, POLITICAL ASSASSINATION, AND SUBVERSIVE PROPAGANDA. UNDER ARTICLE 2 SENTENCES OF LIFE AT

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HARD LABOR WILL BE GIVEN TO THOSE CONVICTED OF CORRUPTION OR MISAPPROPRIATION OF PUBLIC FUNDS, THOSE WHO TRY TO PROFIT BY EXTORTION BY EXTORTION FROM NATIONALS OR FOREIGNERS, COWARD-NESS BY MILITARY FORCES IN FACE OF ENEMY AND THOSE WHO INCITE ARMED FORCES TO DESERT OR TO PROVIDE SUSTENANCE TO THE ENEMY. UNDER ARTICLE 3 SENTENCES OF 5-20 YEARS AT HARD LABOR CAN BE GIVEN TO THOSE WHO LISTEN TO RADIO PEKING, HANOI, VC OR OTHER ENEMY TRANSMISSIONS, THOSE WHO SPREAD FALSE RUMORS, THOSE WHO CARRY ARMS IN PUBLIC WITHOUT BEING PROPERLY UNIFORMED, AND DESERTERS WHO DO NOT TAKE ARMS OR MUNITIONS.

13. DURING PERIOD OF MARTIAL LAW PERSONS WILL BE TRIED BY MILITARY TRIBUNAL. JUDGMENTS BY TRIBUNALS ARE NOT SUBJECT TO APPEAL NOR ANNULMENT. HOWEVER, THOSE WHO RECEIVE CAPITAL SENTENCES WILL HAVE THREE DAYS IN WHICH TO MAKE AN APPEAL OF CLEMENCY. MINISTERS OF NATIONAL DEFENSE AND OF JUSTICE WILL EXAMINE THIS APPEAL. CHIEF OF STATE RETAINS RIGHT TO COMMUTE SENTENCE GIVEN. MARTIAL LAW WILL CONTINUE FOR THE PERIOD THAT NATION IS PROCLAIMED "IN STATE OF DANGER". (PROCLAMATION OF "STATE OF DANGER" MADE FOLLOWING NATIONAL ASSEMBLY ACTION. NATIONAL ASSEMBLY TOOK SUCH ACTION ON MARCH 18 FOR PERIOD OF SIX MONTHS.)

14. MININFO TRINH HOANH GAVE INTERVIEW TO INDONESIAN CORRESPONDENT WHICH PUBLISHED IN AKP MAY 31. TRINH HOANH TOOK OPPORTUNITY GIVEN TO EXPRESS CAMBODIAN APPRECIATION TO INDONESIA FOR HAVING HELD DJAKARTA CONFERENCE, TO UNDERLINE LONG AND FRIENDLY RELATIONS BETWEEN CAMBODIA AND INDONESIA, AND TO THANK INDONESIAN PRESS FOR ITS FAVORABLE ARTICLES. REMAINDER OF INTERVIEW ONLY REAFFIRMED GOVERNMENT POSITIONS. IN REPLY TO QUESTION AS TO WHETHER CAMBODIA HAS ALREADY NOMINATED AN AMBASSADOR TO THAILAND,

TRINH HOANH SAID THE NAME OF THE AMBASSADOR HAD NOT YET BEEN PUT FORWARD. HE ADDED THAT CAMBODIA HOPED ALSO "TO ESTABLISH DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH VIETNAM, MALAYSIA, SOUTH KOREA AND NATIONALIST CHINA." END UNCLASSIFIED.

15. CAMBODIANS HAVE ANNOUNCED AGREEMENT FOR SONN VOEUNSAI TO BECOME CAMBODIAN AMBASSADOR TO US. EMBASSY UNDERSTANDS HE PLANS TO ARRIVE IN WASHINGTON DURING FIRST WEEK IN JUNE. CONCOMITANT WITH ANNOUNCEMENT HAVE BEEN SPECULATIVE PRESS STORIES AND INQUIRIES AT EMBASSY OF USG INTENTIONS. EMBASSY HAS STATED THAT IS IS UNAWARE OF ANY INTENTION TO NAME AN AMBASSADOR HERE AND

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THAT ANY SUCH ANNOUNCEMENT WILL BE MADE IN WASHINGTON.
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